

# API keys

API keys authenticate requests to RunPod. You can generate an API key with **Read and Write** permission or **Read** permission.

## Generate

To create an API key:

1. From the console, select **Settings**.
2. Under **API Keys**, choose **+ API Keys**.
3. Select the permission and choose **Create**.


### NOTE

Once your API key is generated, keep it secure. Treat it like a password and avoid sharing it in insecure environments.

## Revoke

To delete an API key:

1. From the console, select **Settings**.
2. Under **API Keys**, select the trash can icon and select **Yes**.

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